

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 848

By Mumpower

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Charles Grisham Browning.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Charles Grisham Browning; and

WHEREAS, a native of Washington County, Mr. Browning was born on April 21, 1932, and was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, Charles Browning graduated from Washington College High School and attended Maryville College before attaining a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from East Tennessee State College; and

WHEREAS, following his valorous service in the United States Army, Mr. Browning earned the respect of his peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of his work during thirty-nine years of service with United Telephone System Southeast Group, from which he retired as Director of Distribution, Engineering, and Construction; and

WHEREAS, Charles Browning also contributed his time and numerous talents to his community as a member of the board of trustees of Washington College Academy, a member of the Kiwanis Club, and a member of American Legion; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Browning was an active and devout member of the First Presbyterian Church of Bristol, Tennessee, which he served faithfully for many years as deacon and elder; and

WHEREAS, Charles Browning was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Browning is survived by his loving wife of fifty-five years, Imogene Walters; his mother, Lois Dillow Browning; his sister, Janet Buchanan, and her husband, Jim Buchanan; his daughters, Melodye Bernier and Debbie Taylor; his grandchildren, Kathleen

Bernier, Charles Frederick Bernier, Charles Michael Taylor, and Chelsey Taylor; his niece, Jaymie Buchanan Myer, and her husband Jonah Myer; his nephew, Keith Buchanan; and his great-nephew, Jeremiah Myer; and

WHEREAS, he was preceded in death by his father, Charles F. Browning; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Browning leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Charles Grisham Browning, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Browning.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.